



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 315***

LCO No. 1606

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:  
(GL )

***AN ACT PROHIBITING THE UNNECESSARY COLLECTION OF  
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2012*) (a) For the purposes of this  
2       section, "person" means any individual, firm, partnership, association,  
3       corporation, limited liability company, organization or other entity,  
4       but does not include the state or any political subdivision of the state,  
5       or any agency thereof.

6       (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a person  
7       doing business in the state shall not request or collect from an  
8       individual such individual's Social Security number. The provisions of  
9       this subsection shall apply to: (1) group and individual health  
10      insurance policies providing coverage of the type specified in  
11      subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (10) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the  
12      general statutes.

13      (c) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to (1) the  
14      collection of a Social Security number as required by state or federal  
15      law, (2) a transaction regulated by the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Financial

16 Modernization Act, for a purpose authorized by such act, (3) a  
17 transaction regulated by the Fair Credit Reporting Act, for a purpose  
18 authorized by such act, (4) a report prepared by a consumer credit  
19 reporting agency in response to a request by the individual, or (5) a  
20 background check on the individual, identity verification, fraud  
21 prevention, medical treatment, law enforcement purposes or the  
22 individual's employment, including employment benefits.

23 (d) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (b) of this  
24 section shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars for a first  
25 offense and shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars for each  
26 subsequent offense.

27 (e) Any person who wilfully violates the provisions of subsection (b)  
28 of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of one thousand dollars  
29 for each such violation.

30 (f) All civil penalties received pursuant to subsection (e) of this  
31 section shall be deposited into the privacy protection guaranty and  
32 enforcement account established under section 42-472a of the general  
33 statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	July 1, 2012	New section
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To prohibit the unnecessary collection of Social Security numbers.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*